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## EGGS IN INCUBATORS--JANUARY 1, 2004-2005, UNITED STATES

Item	2004	2005	% of Year Ago
	--Thousands--		--Percent--
Chickens, Egg Type	31,655	34,437	109
Chickens, Broiler Type	637,048	650,680	102
Turkeys, All Breeds	28,394	28,199	99

[Results from the monthly Chicken and Egg Report and the monthly Turkey Hatchery Report].

## POULTRY HATCHING AND PLACEMENT--DECEMBER 2003-2004

Item	2003	2004	% of year ago	January thru December 2003	2004	% of year ago
	--Thousands--		--Percent--	--Thousands--		--Percent--
<b>Pullet Chicks Placed Domestic (U.S.) 1/</b>						
Broiler Type	6,978	6,075	87	82,134	83,129	101
Egg Type	246	235	96	3,198	3,117	97
<b>Chicks Hatched - Broiler Type</b>						
Georgia	119,326	121,845	102	1,368,328	1,423,686	104
United States	780,094	793,047	102	9,079,745	9,330,954	103
<b>Chicks Hatched - Egg Type</b>						
Georgia	2,123	2,302	108	27,831	28,117	101
United States	33,645	37,035	110	416,069	437,497	105
<b>Turkeys Poult Placed 2/</b>						
United States	23,424	22,197	95	90,555	86,503	96

[Results from the monthly Chicken and Egg Report and the monthly Turkey Hatchery Report]. 1/ Domestic placements as reported by leading breeders includes expected pullet replacements from eggs sold during the preceding month at the rate of 125 pullet chicks per 30 dozen case of eggs. 2/ Accumulated turkey poult placed are September 1 to current month.

## NUMBER OF LAYERS AND EGG PRODUCTION DURING DECEMBER 2003-2004

	Number of Layers		Eggs per 100 Layers		Total Eggs Produced	
	2003	2004	2003	2004	2003	2004
	--Thousands--		--Number--		--Millions--	
<b>GEORGIA</b>						
Hatching	9,041	8,932	1,880	1,914	170	171
Table	11,631	11,091	2,261	2,389	263	265
Total Georgia	20,672	20,023	2,095	2,177	433	436
<b>30 STATES 1/</b>						
<b>UNITED STATES</b>						
Hatching	57,497	58,203	1,835	1,856	1,055	1,080
Table	280,746	286,330	2,303	2,312	6,466	6,619
Total U.S.	338,243	344,533	2,223	2,235	7,520	7,699

[Results from the monthly Chicken and Egg Report]. 1/ Publication of 30 States aggregate data discontinued in January 2005.

**COMMERCIAL POULTRY SLAUGHTER 1/--NOVEMBER AND DECEMBER 2004**

Item	Nov	Dec	% of Last Month	January thru December
	--Thousands--		--Percent--	--Thousands--
<b>Young Chickens</b>				
Georgia	101,471	106,096	105	1,252,378
United States	708,218	722,753	102	8,762,095
<b>Mature Chickens</b>				
Light Type, U.S.	5,705	6,140	108	72,438
Heavy Type, U.S.	5,738	6,119	107	71,335
Total U.S.	11,443	12,259	107	143,773
<b>Percent Condemned Young Chickens</b>	--Percent--			--Percent--
Georgia	0.76	0.93		0.91
United States	1.03	1.12		1.08

1/ Federally inspected slaughter data as collected by Meat and Poultry Inspection Program.

**LIVESTOCK SLAUGHTER--UNITED STATES, 1/ DECEMBER 2003-2004**

Species	Number Slaughtered			Average Live Weight		Total Live Weight	
	2003	2004	2004 as % of 2003	2003	2004	2003	2004
	--Thousand Head--		--Percent--	--Pounds--		--Thousand Pounds--	
Cattle	2,675.3	2,690.5	101	1,244	1,268	3,329,388	3,410,781
Calves	97.4	74.7	77	322	334	31,413	24,932
Hogs	9,361.0	9,250.1	99	269	270	2,518,208	2,496,511
Sheep & Lambs	261.9	242.4	93	137	140	35,952	33,846

[Results from the U.S. Livestock Slaughter Release]. 1/ Includes slaughter under Federal Inspection and other commercial slaughter, excludes farm slaughter.

**COLD STORAGE STOCKS--UNITED STATES, DECEMBER 31, 2004**

Commodity	Dec 31, 2003	Nov 30, 2004	Dec 31, 2004	% of Dec 2003	% of Nov 2004
	--Thousand Pounds--			--Percent--	
Eggs, Frozen, Total	18,036	17,324	19,583	109	113
Meats, Red	878,958	912,602	974,878	111	107
Beef, Frozen, Total	395,084	463,297	479,584	121	104
Pork, Frozen, Total	470,656	436,332	483,643	103	111
Poultry, Frozen	966,703	1,064,635	1,018,686	105	96
Peanuts, Shelled	221,475	249,983	307,579	139	123
Peanuts, In Shell	17,074	15,136	15,699	92	104
Pecans, Shelled	17,992	18,515	18,531	103	100
Pecans, In Shell	141,037	48,476	93,657	66	193

[Results from the monthly Cold Storage Report].

**PRICES RECEIVED BY FARMERS--JANUARY 15, 2005**

Commodity	Price per Unit	Georgia			United States		
		Jan 2004	Dec 2004	Jan 15, 2005	Jan 2004	Dec 2004	Jan 15, 2005
Cotton	¢/Lb	62.70	42.60	42.60 1/	62.20	40.70	39.40 1/
Cottonseed	\$/Ton	101.00	84.00	91.00	126.00	111.00	112.00
Peanuts, In Shell 2/	¢/Lb	20.30	18.00	18.20	20.60	18.30	18.60
Calves	¢/Lb	103.00	118.00	119.00	110.00	122.00	123.00
Beef Cattle 4/	¢/Lb	59.50	64.90	64.00	80.90	86.80	89.10
Cows 5/	¢/Lb	48.30	50.40	50.20	46.10	48.70	50.00
Steers & Heifers	¢/Lb	82.20	93.00	92.00	85.40	91.80	94.20

[Results from the monthly Prices Received by Farmers]. 1/ Based on sales during first half of the month. 2/ Includes additional loan peanuts at loan value. 3/ Insufficient sales to establish a price. 4/ "Cows," "Steers and Heifers" combined. 5/ Beef cows and cull dairy cows sold for slaughter.

**INDEX NUMBERS--UNITED STATES**

	2003 Dec	2004 Jan	2004 Dec	2005 Jan
<b>UNITED STATES (1990-92 = 100)</b>				
Prices Received	114	112	111	110
Prices Paid	129	130	133	134
Ratio 1/	88	86	83	82

[Results from the monthly Prices Received by Farmers]. 1/ Ratio of index of prices received by farmers to index of prices paid.

**STOCKS OF PEANUTS AND SPECIFIED PRODUCTS AT MONTH'S END, CROP--2004 1/**

STOCKS OF PEANUTS AND OF RELATED PRODUCTS AT MONTH'S END, CROP 2004 1/					
Month Ending	Farmer Stock	Shelled Peanuts 2/	Roasting Stock (In Shell)	Farmer Stock Equivalent	
				Shelled Peanuts	Total 3/
--Thousand Pounds--					
Dec	1,737,366	482,572	40,216	641,821	2,419,403

[Results from the Peanut Stocks and Processing Report]. 1/ Excludes stocks on farms. Includes stocks owned by or held for account of CCC in commercial storage facilities. Farmer stock on net weight basis. 2/ Includes shelled edible grades, shelled oil stock, and shelled seed (untreated). 3/ Actual farmer stock, plus roasting stock, plus shelled peanuts X 1.33.

**FARM WAGE RATES--JANUARY 11-17, 2004, AND JANUARY 9-15, 2005, BY REGION AND UNITED STATES 1/**

Region	Wage Rates for All Hired Workers		Type of Hired Worker					
			Field		Livestock		Field and Livestock	
	2004	2005	2004	2005	2004	2005	2004	2005
--Dollars per Hour--								
<b>Southeast 2/</b>	<b>8.10</b>	<b>8.41</b>	<b>7.67</b>	<b>7.96</b>	<b>7.61</b>	<b>7.25</b>	<b>7.65</b>	<b>7.71</b>
US 3/	9.41	9.81	8.39	8.73	8.83	9.19	8.55	8.91

See footnotes below.

**NUMBER OF HIRED WORKERS ON FARMS AND HOURS WORKED FOR THE WEEK JANUARY 11-17, 2004, AND JANUARY 9-15, 2005, BY REGION AND UNITED STATES 1/**

Region	Hired Workers				Expected to be Employed			
	Number		Hours Worked		150 Days or More		149 Days or Less	
	2004	2005	2004	2005	2004	2005	2004	2005
--1,000-- --Hours per Week-- --1,000--								
<b>Southeast 2/</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>35.5</b>	<b>35.3</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>4</b>
US 3/	662	574	38.1	36.8	549	478	113	96

[Results from the Agricultural Labor Survey]. 1/ Excludes agricultural service workers. 2/ Southeast: AL, GA, SC. 3/ Excludes AK.

**ALL PECANS: UTILIZED PRODUCTION, PRICE PER POUND, VALUE OF PRODUCTION, GEORGIA AND UNITED STATES, 2002-2004**

State	Utilized Production			Price per Pound			Value of Production		
	2002	2003	2004	2002	2003	2004	2002	2003	2004
--1,000 Pounds-- --Dollars-- --1,000 Dollars--									
<b>GA</b>	<b>45,000</b>	<b>75,000</b>	<b>45,000</b>	<b>1.000</b>	<b>0.928</b>	<b>1.700</b>	<b>44,880</b>	<b>69,600</b>	<b>76,350</b>
US	172,900	282,100	181,000	0.955	0.984	1.670	165,033	277,629	301,421

[Results from the January 1 Pecan Inquiry].

**CATTLE AND CALVES: NUMBER BY CLASS AND CALF CROP, GEORGIA AND UNITED STATES, JANUARY 1, 2004-2005 1/**

Class	Georgia			United States		
	2004	2005	2005 as % of 2004	2004	2005	2005 as % of 2004
--1,000 Head-- --Percent--						
Cattle and Calves	1,250	1,210	97	94,888	95,848	101
Cows and Heifers That Have Calved	700	680	97	41,851	42,060	101
Beef Cows	616	596	97	32,861	33,055	101
Milk Cows	84	84	100	8,990	9,005	100
Heifers 500 Pounds and Over	141	141	100	19,345	19,673	102
For Beef Cow Replacement	85	82	96	5,518	5,746	104
Expected to Calve	2/	2/	2/	3,493	3,586	103
For Milk Cow Replacement	26	24	92	4,020	4,133	103
Expected to Calve	2/	2/	2/	2,761	2,830	103
Other Heifers	30	35	117	9,806	9,793	100
Steers 500 Pounds and Over	40	49	123	16,277	16,511	101
Bulls 500 Pounds and Over	39	35	90	2,206	2,219	101
Calves Under 500 Pounds	330	305	92	15,210	15,385	101
Cattle on Feed	3/	3/	3/	13,813	13,749	100
2003 2004 2004 as % of 2003 2003 2004 2004 as % of 2003						
Calf Crop	580	560	97	37,903	37,625	99

[Results from the Cattle Report]. 1/ Totals may not add due to rounding. 2/ Data not available. 3/ GA included in Other States beginning in 2004, which impacts 2004 as a percent of 2003.

**Angora Goats, Milk Goats, Meat and Other Goats and Total:  
Number by Class, State and United States, January 1, 2005 1/**

State	Angora	Milk	Meat and Other Goats	All Goats
--Head--				
GA	1,000	2,000	77,000	80,000
US	274,000	283,500	1,965,000	2,522,500

1/ Estimates began in 2005.

**GEORGIA ANNUAL CROP SUMMARY, 2004**

Crop	Planted Acres	Harvested Acres	Yield per Acre	Unit	Production	Unit Price	Value of Production
--1,000 Acres--					--1,000--	--Dollars--	--\$1,000--
Corn, grain	335	280	130	Bu	36,400	2.20	80,080
Corn, silage		45	16	Ton	720		
Cotton, lint 1/	1,290	1,280	675	Lb	1,800	0.470	406,080
Cottonseed				Ton	621	84.50	52,475
Hay 2/	600	600	2.7	Ton	1,620	55.00	89,100
Oats	90	25	50	Bu	1,250	1.70	2,125
Peanuts	620	610	3,000	Lb	1,830,000	0.190	347,700
Rye	250	25	24	Bu	600	4.00	2,400
Sorghum, Grain	45	25	47	Bu	1,175	2.02	2,369
Sorghum, Silage		15	10	Ton	150		
Soybeans	280	270	31	Bu	8,370	5.30	44,361
Tobacco 2/		23.0	2,030	Lb	46,690	1.835	85,676
Wheat	330	190	45	Bu	8,550	3.45	29,498
Apples 3/ 4/		1.2	10,000	Lb	12,000	0.228	2,740
Blueberries 5/		4.8	4,380	Lb	21,000	1.130	23,770
Grapes 3/ 4/		1.1	3.00	Ton	3.3	1,160.00	3,724
Peaches 3/ 4/		12.0	4.38	Ton	52,500	667.00	33,017
Pecans				Lb	45,000	1.700	76,350
Cabbage	12.0	10.0	250	Cwt	2,500	11.00	27,500
Cantaloupes	7.2	6.6	150	Cwt	990	19.00	18,810
Cucumbers	15.0	14.0	140	Cwt	1,960	16.60	32,536
Onions	16.5	14.5	260	Cwt	3,770	23.50	88,595
Snap Beans	20.0	17.0	53	Cwt	901	28.00	25,228
Sweet Corn	28.0	27.0	135	Cwt	3,645	12.80	46,656
Tomatoes	6.0	5.8	170	Cwt	986	45.00	44,370
Watermelons	30.0	23.0	165	Cwt	3,395	7.00	26,565
Bell Pepper 6/	4.0	3.9	170	Cwt	663	30.00	19,890
Squash 6/	12.0	10.0	115	Cwt	1,150	29.00	33,350
<b>Total</b>	<b>3,990.7</b>	<b>3,538.9</b>					<b>1,644,965</b>

1/ Cotton yield pounds per acre; production 480 lb. bales. 2/ Harvested acres substituted for planted acres. 3/ Bearing age acreage and utilized production. 4/ Yield based on total production. 5/ Yield based on utilized production. 6/ Estimates began in 2000.